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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

**CRAIG HENRY BECKER, ROBERT SIMON GOODMAN,
STEWART EARLE NICKOLAS, and WAYNE ELMO VICKNAIR**For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR BUILDING COMMERCIAL DISTRIBUTED
COMPUTING NETWORKS VIA COMPUTER COST SUBSIDIZATION**Assignee Name: International Business Machines Corporation
Assignee Residence: Armonk, New York

Enclosed are also:

22 Pages of Specification including an Abstract
 8 Pages of Claims (Claims 1 - 27)
 5 Sheet(s) of Drawings *(Informal)*

 Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

CLAIMS AS FILED

| FOR | Number Filed | Number Extra | Rate | Basic Fee (\$710) |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Total Claims | 27 | -20 = 7 | X \$ 18 = | \$126 |
| Independent Claims | 12 | -3 = 9 | X \$ 80 = | \$720 |
| Multiple Dependent Claims | 0 | | X \$270 = | \$0 |
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